

UNIVERSITY STUDIES: BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS



The Associate Degree in University Studies with an Area of Emphasis is intended to accommodate the differing requirements of a wide variety of transfer institutions and major options. Because admission and major preparation requirements vary at each four-year transfer institution, courses used to complete this degree should be selected with the assistance of a counselor. The completion of the University Studies Degree does not guarantee acceptance into either a baccalaureate major or a four-year institution.

Requirements

I. California State University (CSU) General Education Breadth

1. Complete CSU General Education Breadth (see Degree Requirements and Transfer Information section).
2. Earn a grade of "C" or better in 30 of the required 39 semester units of general education to include all courses in Area A and the Mathematical/Quantitative Reasoning courses in Area B.
3. Credit earned through external examinations, i.e., AP, will be applied towards general education in accordance with Cuyamaca College policies. Please note: This may be different than how the external exam is used on a CSU certification.
4. Complete a minimum of 18 units in an Area of Emphasis (listed below).
5. Complete a minimum of 60 degree applicable CSU transferable semester units.
6. Earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all college course work completed.
7. Meet Cuyamaca College residence requirements for graduation (see Admission Information).

or

II. Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) for CSU or UC

1. Complete IGETC Certification (see Degree Requirements and Transfer Information section).
2. Earn a grade of "C" or better in all IGETC courses.
3. Credit earned through external examinations, i.e., AP, will be applied in accordance with Cuyamaca College policies. Please note: This may be different than how the external exam is used on an IGETC certification.
4. Complete a minimum of 18 units in an Area of Emphasis (listed below).
5. Complete a minimum of 60 degree applicable UC transferable semester units for UC University Studies.
6. Earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all college course work completed.
7. Meet Cuyamaca College residence requirements for graduation (see Admission Information).

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Choose a minimum of 18 units. Students must complete a minimum of three units in Business, three units in Economics, and three units from the elective category. The remaining nine units may be taken from any of the three categories.

While 18 units are required in a specific area to meet the requirements of the degree, it is strongly recommended that as many lower division preparation for the major courses as possible be completed at the community college prior to transfer. Some baccalaureate majors and four-year institutions require a higher GPA than is necessary for the associate degree. Courses that are not UC-transferable will not be used in the UC University Studies Area of Emphasis Degrees. Completion of the University Studies degree does not guarantee admission to a four-year institution.

Courses for the Associate in Science in University Studies with an Emphasis in Business and Economics focus on the study of business transaction theory and practice, the operations and strategies of business decisions, legal concepts, and the place of business in the American and global economy as a whole. Students will apply mathematical and quantitative reasoning skills to the discipline's methodologies, as well as evaluate and interpret basic economic principles and theories related to performance and specific economic sectors. Students completing this area may be interested in the following baccalaureate majors: accounting, business, economics, finance, information and decision systems, international business, management, and marketing.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Contribute to an effective and ethical organization.
- Prepare and analyze financial statements.
- Use information technology to support effective decision making in the business organization.
- Analyze markets, economic environments and associated trends at the macro and micro levels.
- Express and apply quantitative information in order to make sound decisions and solve problems in the business environment.
- Communicate clearly in the business environment.

Code	Title	Units
Business		
BUS-110	Introduction to Business	3
BUS-120	Financial Accounting	4
BUS-121	Managerial Accounting	4
BUS-125	Business Law: Legal Environment of Business	3
BUS-128	Business Communication ¹	3
Economics		
ECON-110	Economic Issues and Policies	3
ECON-120	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON-121	Principles of Microeconomics	3
Electives		
CIS-110	Principles of Information Systems	4
MATH-160	Elementary Statistics	4

MATH-178	Calculus for Business, Social and Behavioral Sciences	4
MATH-180	Analytic Geometry and Calculus I	5

¹ Course not UC transferable.